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# DECLARES BOY, 19, IS MURDERER

## NEARLY HALF OF A. E. F. SAILS ON AMERICAN SHIPS

Official Figures Show Forty-Six Pct. Went Overseas On Transports Owned By U. S. Govt.

Warships of U. S. Convoy 82 Pct. of American Soldiers To France

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
PARIS, Jan. 16--Official figures now are available for the first time showing the full extent to which American ships transported the American army of approximately 2,079,000 to Europe and also showing the very high percentage of vessels escorted by American warships, irrespective of what vessels were carrying the troops.

The official figures show that 46.25 percent of all the American troops were transported exclusively in American ships. The figures show that the percentage actually carried in British ships was 48.25 percent, as against the much higher figures recently made public. An additional three percent was carried in Italian ships leased to the British and another two and one-half percent was carried in ships of other nations.

The American navy, however, escorted and guarded the transport of 82.75 percent of all the troops. The British escorted 14.12 percent and the French 3.13 percent.

## WILL DECIDE ON PUBLICITY MEANS

Meeting Called For This Afternoon of Press And Nation's Representatives.

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
PARIS, Jan. 16--The supreme council today after considering the matter of the relations between the conference and the press decided to call a meeting at five o'clock this afternoon to be attended by the members of the press and representatives of the nations in the conference to interchange views on publicity methods.

This was announced in the official statement of today's session of the council which also gave out the information that the Russian question had been discussed and would be jointly examined later after the various governments had exchanged their latest information on the subject with each other.

### FEAR OUTBREAKS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
AMSTERDAM, Jan. 16--In view of rumors of the pending outbreak of a revolution in Holland the first Volk says military guards have been placed before the town hall and telegraph offices at Leyden which is about midway between Amsterdam and Rotterdam.

## NEB. LAST TO RATIFY

Country to Go Dry Next July; Presidential Order.

[By Associated Press to The Banner]

CHICAGO, Jan. 16--The U. S. today completed the legislative process of voting itself dry. When word was flashed over the wires that the thirty-sixth state, Nebraska, had ratified the prohibition amendment prohibition leaders declared that the accomplishment was the greatest piece of moral legislation in the history of the world.

The amendment to the federal constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating beverages becomes effective one year after the date of its final ratification. Meanwhile the nation goes dry July 1, next, by presidential proclamation as a war measure, unless the president rescinds it before that date.

Congress passed the resolution submitting the amendment to the various state legislatures in the midst of the seething preparations for war in 1917. The legislature of Mississippi was the first to ratify taking this action on January 8, 1918. Fourteen of states took similar action during that year.

In the fall election the wet or dry question was paramount in mind of the remaining states, but the vote left no doubt that the United States was destined to be the first great nation to veto liquor.

Michigan having by a state law made itself dry in 1918, was the first state to ratify in 1919, the legislature voting on the second day of the new year. From that day until today legislatures have acted rapidly. Five states ratified yesterday bringing the number up to 35. Other legislatures worked at feverish speed to be the 36th with Nebraska and Minnesota contesting for the lead.

### FOUR IN RACE

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
CHICAGO, Jan. 16--Favorable action by one more legislature will complete the thirty-six states required to ratify the national prohibition act, 35 having already voted in favor of ratification.

This action may be brought about as four states, Nebraska, Missouri, Minnesota and New Mexico are expected to take a final vote on the question before the end of the day. In Nebraska the senate has passed the amendment and final action in the house has been set for 9 a. m. today.

## WONT ATTEMPT ACTION IN PRESENT CONGRESS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16--By unanimous vote today the house merchant marine committee decided to attempt no action at this session of congress on the administration measure proposing government acquisition of all wireless stations.

## GENERAL STRIKE IN ARGENTINA IS OVER; MANY DIE

Labor Leaders, After Conference With President Ingoyen Order Men Back To Work

Low Estimate Places Killed At One Thousand; Probably List Is Higher

[By Associated Press to The Banner]

BUENOS AYRES, Jan. 16--At a conference with President Irigoyen yesterday afternoon labor leaders agreed to call off all strikes now in force in Argentina, with the exception of the one which was virtually paralyzed shipping in the harbor. Telegrams received from different parts of the country during the evening indicated that conditions are much improved as a result of orders sent to the various unions.

Recapitulation of the casualties inflicted during the disorders of the past week shows that between 500 and 1000 persons were killed, and from 3,500 to 5,000 were more or less seriously wounded. It is probable that the final figures will be much higher as it is believed that many of the killed and wounded were carried away by the rioters.

## DECLARES RIOTS ABOMINATIONS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 15--Order has been restored in Berlin it is announced by an official wireless appeal to the German nation sent out by the German government today and picked up here. The appeal, which was signed by Premier Ebert and four members of his cabinet, says that the government is determined to prevent by every means at its disposal a repetition of "similar abominations."

### FOUR ON CASTALIA LOST

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 15--Four of the crew of the United States shipping board steamship Castalia, disabled off Sable Island on Monday, were lost in the rescue of the ship's company by the steamers Bergensford and War Fijian.

### FIRE CLOSES DOWN MINE

ANTHENS, Jan. 15--Mine No. 234 at Jacksonville, belonging to the Ohio Collieries Company and one of the oldest mines in continuous operation in the Hocking field, is out of commission through a \$20,000 fire which destroyed all machinery. The cause has not been determined.

### POET AND WRITER IS DEAD

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Jan. 15--Benjamin Paul Blood, aged 38, author of many philosophical works that have attracted world-wide attention, and writer of poems that have won him a distinguished place in the literary realm, died late today at his home here.

## FLEEING FROM THE TURKS



REFUGEES from distant points of Armenia and Asia Minor who escaped from the Turks at Salt and are now safely on board a train at Jerusalem enroute for Egypt. This is a typical scene in the Near East. Thousands were driven from their homes and hundreds of families were separated in the attending confusion and haste.

## WILSON STILL WORKING TO HAVE PEACE PARLEY OPEN TO WRITERS

Discussion Preceding Decision To Exclude Correspondents From Conference Sessions Entirely In Dark

[By The Associated Press to The Banner]

PARIS, Wednesday, Jan. 15--(By The Associated Press)--No one outside of the delegates to the peace congress knows anything about the discussion which preceded today's decision to keep proceedings of the congress secret and to limit information divulged to official statements.

This decision will preclude the American delegates, even Mr. Wilson himself, from discussing the formal announcements that are issued. It will likewise stop the practice of Premier Lloyd-George of Great Britain of discussing affairs with British correspondents for the purpose of guiding them in forming public opinion in England.

It has been believed here by persons close to President Wilson that he would contend for open sessions as far as possible. That he still feels the same way is the opinion generally expressed here tonight.

## CASUALTY LIST

[Official War Department Report]  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16--The casualty list today contained 743 names, divided as follows:  
Killed in action ..... 43  
Died of wounds ..... 78  
Died of disease ..... 157  
Died of accident, other causes 15  
Died of airplane accident ... 1  
Wounded severely ..... 345  
Wounded (degree undetermined) 55  
Wounded slightly ..... 40  
Missing in action ..... 9

## GOVERNMENT FORCES CAPTURE LIEBKNECHT

BERLIN, Wednesday, Jan. 15--(By The Associated Press)--Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Spartacist leader, has been captured. It was learned late tonight by officers and men of the division of mounted rifle guards, who arrived in Berlin today.

## AMERICAN CRUISERS IN SOUTH

MONTEVIDEO, January 15--The United States cruisers Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Tacoma and Denver, under Admiral Caperton, have arrived here. The British cruisers Bristol also has arrived and will probably proceed to Buenos Ayres.

## MARSHAL FOCH MEETS GERMANS

Allied Commander Sees Teutons To Lay Down Terms For Extension of Truce.

[By Associated Press to The Banner]

PARIS, Jan. 16--Marshal Foch, the allied commander-in-chief, arrived in Treves Wednesday morning for the meeting with the German armistice delegates for discussion of the extension of the armistice. He met Mathias Erzberger and General von Winterfeldt, the German representatives, in his private car. The discussion over the renewal of the armistice began at once.

## PASS PARK BILL

[By Associated Press to The Banner]  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16--The bill designating the California giant red wood district as "Roosevelt National Park" was passed unanimously today by the senate and now goes to the house.

## MT. VERNON WOMAN TO CLEAR MYSTERY?

Mrs. Della Lindsay, in Statement to Columbus Police, Declares Boy Gave Up Secret of his Alleged Crime As She Accused Him Personally.

[By The Associated Press to The Banner]

COLUMBUS, Jan. 16--In a statement to Police Lieutenant Albanese Wednesday night Mrs. Della Lindsay, aged 42, who together with her husband, Hubert Lindsay, aged 38, of Mt. Vernon, were taken into custody Wednesday in connection with the theft of whisky at Fifth avenue and 20th street, accused Charles H. Brockman, aged 19, 1469 Clark street, of the murder on August 23, last, of Mrs. Stella Rohr, aged 41, 1179 Clark street.

Mrs. Rohr's body was found lying upon a bed with her skull crushed. Police at that time held Charles Lindsay, aged 71, by whom Mrs. Rohr was employed as a housekeeper. The aged man was released, however, and since that time the murder has been a mystery.

The story told Lieutenant Albanese by Mrs. Lindsay is that on New-year's day she and Brockman were visiting at the residence of Charles Lindsay. She said she was working at a sewing machine when a gust of wind blew open a door which slammed with a crash. She said that Brockman leaped to his feet covered his eyes with his hands and exclaimed: "There she is."

Mrs. Lindsay said she then accused Brockman of murdering Mrs. Rohr and he replied: "Don't tell anybody."

The woman told the police that she had not intended divulging her secret until Brockman, who was arrested Tuesday evening, told of she and her husband's complicity in the whisky thefts.

Brockman, questioned by police, denied all of Mrs. Lindsay's statements. Chief Carter will make a further investigation of the woman's story.

Hubert Lindsay, his wife, Della Lindsay, and their nephew, Charles Hugh Lindsay, arrested by city police Wednesday on a charge of stealing from freight cars on a Pennsylvania track at Fifth avenue and 20th street will be arraigned late Thursday afternoon before United States Commissioner A. H. Johnson on a charge of stealing from an interstate shipment.

The Lindsays and Brockman are said to have taken six cases of Old Crow whisky from a freight car on the night of January 13 at which time they escaped from Patrolman C. T. Goodrich after the officer had fired several shots at their machine.

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[By Associated Press to The Banner]

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